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Dr. Elizabeth Richardson
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City of Hamilton
Public Health Services, Clinical and Preventive Services Division
1 Hughson Street North, 4th Floor
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Dear Dr. Richardson:

Re: Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care Agreement with City of Hamilton

This letter is further to the recent letter from the Honourable Deb Matthews, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, in which she informed you that the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (the "Ministry") will provide the City of Hamilton up to \$152,476 in base funding for the 2011-12 funding year to support stabilization and capacity building of the community-based response to HIV/AIDS. The base funding includes \$4,400 in new base dollars effective April 1, 2011.

As you know, the Ministry has an existing funding agreement with you dated March 5, 2003 (the "Existing Agreement"). The Ministry has been engaged in updating its transfer payment accountability agreements and I am pleased, therefore, to provide you with two copies of the new accountability agreement (the "Agreement") containing the terms and conditions governing this funding. This Agreement will replace the Existing Agreement and upon its execution the Existing Agreement will therefore be terminated.

As you will see, the Ministry is providing \$152,476 in this first Funding Year (to reflect the period of time and the program for which these funds are provided). Please note, however, that the Ministry is committed to providing the maximum base funding in subsequent years (in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement).

As you are aware, Ontario has felt the effects of the global recession and is running a deficit in order to create jobs and protect public services. While the contributions of those who deliver public services are valued and appreciated, the public also expects those who are paid by tax dollars to do their part to help sustain public services.

Dr. Richardson

The government has passed the *Public Sector Compensation Restraint to Protect Public Services Act, 2010*, which freezes compensation plans for all non-bargaining employees in the broader public sector, including the Ontario Public Service, for two years.

For employees who bargain collectively, the government will respect all current collective agreements. When these agreements expire and new contracts are negotiated, the government will work with transfer payment partners and bargaining agents to seek agreements of at least two years' duration that do not include net compensation increases. The fiscal plan provides no funding for compensation increases for future collective agreements.

Funding provided by the province to transfer payment partners and agencies is for the purpose of providing and protecting public services and is not to be diverted to fund increases in employee compensation.

The provision of funding does not relieve your organization from responsibility for complying with the Act and does not permit it to give increases that are not authorized by the Act.

Please review the Amending Agreement carefully and sign both copies enclosed and return both copies to:

AIDS Bureau, Provincial Programs Branch
Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care
5700 Yonge Street, 5th Floor
Toronto ON M2M 4K5

When all the parties have signed the Agreement, the Ministry will return one copy to you and will begin to flow the funds.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Joanne Lush, Senior Program Consultant
AIDS Bureau, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care
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Sincerely,



Susan Fitzpatrick
Assistant Deputy Minister
Negotiations and Accountability Management Division

Enclosure

c: Mayor Bob Bratina, City of Hamilton
Pier Falotico, Director, Financial Management Branch, MOHLTC
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Mayor Bob Bratina
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Public Health Services, Clinical and Preventive Services Division
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Dear Mayor Bratina:

I am pleased to advise you that the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care will provide the City of Hamilton up to \$152,476 in base funding for the 2011-12 funding year to support stabilization and capacity building of the community-based response to HIV/AIDS. The base funding includes \$4,400 in new base dollars effective April 1, 2011.

The Assistant Deputy Minister of the Negotiations and Accountability Management Division will write to City of Hamilton shortly concerning the terms and conditions governing this funding.

Thank you for your dedication and commitment to ensuring that people in Ontario affected by HIV/AIDS continue to receive the necessary services to maintain healthy, productive lives.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Deb Matthews".

Deb Matthews
Minister

c: Andrea Horwath, MPP, Hamilton Centre
Dr. Elizabeth Richardson, Medical Officer of Health, City of Hamilton

